

January 21st, 1932

Mr. Oliver Barrett
Cooke, Sullivan & Ricks
310 South Michigan Avenue
Chicago, Illinois

Dear Mr. Barrett:

How kind of you to think of me
in connection with this interesting Tarbell
item.

I think the gentleman was of my
family though just where he comes in I could not
say but we hailed from Groton, Mass. - the first
settlement of Tarbells in 1637 - and then scattered.
So far as I know all Boston Tarbells come from the
Groton settlement.

I would like to add this to my little
collection. Did you mean for me to keep it - you
did not say. If you do not want it and will give me
the name of the dealer I will be only too glad to
trade with him.

What new Lincoln treasures have you
added lately? I am always curious to know. And how
are you impressed with what Dr. Warren is doing at
Fort Wayne? And what has become of Carl Sandburg?

Forgive me for these questions. I do
not expect you to answer them but they show you how
my mind works when I communicate with you.

With all good wishes

Very sincerely

Ida M. Tarbell
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